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1. Between the end of December 1950 and the beginning of January 1951, the old VP guard battalion Berlin was split into two battalions, with the politically reliable police being assigned to the I Guard Bn and the other police to the II Guard Bn. Respective selections were made by PK officers and SSD liaison officers.

2. The Hq I Guard Bn was located on Rudowerstrasse, Adlershof, opposite the HVA headquarters. It was organized into four companies, each about 200 men strong. One of the companies was stationed in the headquarters building in Adlershof, one at the Adlershof airfield and two in Wilhelm Pieck's palace in Niederschoenhausen and in the government quarter in Pankow. Officers of the battalion included VP Oberkommissar Schubert, (fnu), commanding officer of 1st Co; VP Oberkommissar Koepernick, (fnu), commanding officer of 3d Co; and VP Oberkommissar Immer, (fnu), commanding officer of 4th Co. The I Guard Bn was allegedly to be taken over by the SSD on 29 January 1951.

3. The Hq II Guard Bn was located in the former VP school on Wattstrasse, Oberschoeneweide. It consisted of four companies of about 200 police each, one of which was located in the headquarters building in Oberschoeneweide, two in Landenschloss , and one in Koepenick. Officers of the unit included VP Kommissar Jakob, (fnu), personnel officer with the battalion headquarters; and VP Oberkommissar Gerasch, (fnu), commanding officer of 1st Co.

4. A collective headquarters for both battalions was located on Rudowerstrasse, Adlershof, with VP Oberrat Ringel, (fnu), commanding. VP Oberrat Nestler, (fnu), was the PK officer.

5. The motor pool for both battalions was located at the Adlershof airfield and headed by VP Kommissar Paul Mueller. [redacted] 25X1

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